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REGARDING: Streamflow Regulations

Dear Mr. Stacey,

I am writing in regard to the proposals that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is considering which will affect the Quinnipiac River. Please be aware that I am a former member of the Executive Board of Directors of the QRWA. Therefore, I have invested feelings about the ecological health and future status of the waterway and am extremely concerned about these regulations. Furthermore, I have also recently attended the well-attended meeting at Wallingford Public Library with the slide show presentation and lecture.

Please note that I support the proposed streamflow regulations and feel that they should be strict to protect all the waterways. I feel that there should be enough rules to require that sufficient water be left in every stream to be used for human recreation and enjoyment and to protect the wildlife (fish, etc.) We must protect the water from industrial waste and from large companies, etc. that use the waterways for their own destructive purposes. However, I am **TOTALLY AGAINST** any Class four (4) labeling which will have a degrading effect as well as a disastrous long term impact upon the streams, which will basically in essence be allowed to run dry. Please therefore eliminate any "Class 4" verbiage from your proposals; while it may save funds, it is not in the best interest of our environment. The QRWA organization has been working steadily to improve the quality of the entire river and the Class 4 designation will only serve to negate their efforts. We have witnessed bald eagles return, the river quality drastically improved, and that citizens (young and old) begin to understand how important it is to respect our river. Please don't take this proposed step in a backwards scientific direction when we need to move forward and make more positive strides.

We need to work together with DEP and be cognizant of what is best for our society, its rich natural resources, and the maintenance of all state waterways. Additionally, I am state worker and I would like to be proud of State Government.

Please let me know the status of these proposed regulations. Thank you for considering my opinion.

Sincerely yours,

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